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STATE OF ILLINOIS

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Via Certified Mail

Regional Freedom of Information Officer
U.S. EPA Region 5
77 West Jackson Boulevard (MI-9J)
Chicago, IL 60604-3590

Re: FOIA Request Re: March 14, 2014 Pipeline Release in Kankakee, IL

Dear FOIA Officer:

Pursuant to 5 U.S.C. § 552 and 40 C.F.R. Part 2, Subpart A, the Illinois Attorney General's Office is formally requesting that the U.S. EPA provide electronic copies of all documents in its possession pertaining to a pipeline release that occurred on or about March 14, 2014, from pipelines owned Wood River Pipe Lines, LLC and operated by Buckeye Partners, L.P. ("Release") near the intersection of State Route 113 and Indian Trail Road, Kankakee, Kankakee County, Illinois 60691 ("Site"). We are seeking documents including, but not limited to, the following:

- Communications between U.S. EPA, Buckeye and/or Wood River including, emails, letters, reports, and orders;
- Communications between U.S. EPA and third parties including residents located near the Site, local government agency officials, and utility companies (e.g. Commonwealth Edison Company);
- Investigative reports, sampling results, photographs, and/or any other analysis or observations conducted at the Site relating to the release;
- Any documents pertaining to the cause of the release;
- Any documents pertaining to the response to the release, including by U.S. EPA and any other entities.

The U.S. EPA maintains a website containing information regarding the Release located at https://www.epaossc.org/site/site_profile.aspx?site_id=9137. The On Scene Coordinator for the Release was Craig Thomas.

The Illinois Attorney General's Office protects the rights of citizens via enforcement of environmental protection statutes, and therefore, we formally request that fees be waived.

If I can provide any further information or clarification regarding this FOIA request, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Very truly yours,



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